

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph on page 7, lines 10-14, of the Applicant's specification, with the following amended paragraph:

In a particular embodiment, the posterior portion (2) of the support is prismatic and comprises a support surface (3) in abutment against the laminae (L) projecting from the anterior portion (1) so as to avoid any possibility of the anterior portion (1) moving towards the medulary canal. Also, as shown in FIG. 2, the anterior portion (1) can project outwardly from the support surface (3) to form a ridge (1a).